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U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION – GENERAL ENGLISH

SECOND SEMESTER - APRIL 2022

16/17/18UEL2GE02 - ENGLISH THROUGH SHORT STORIES

Date: 23-06-2022 Dept. No. Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

I. Answer any TEN of the following in about 75 words each:

- 1. Name the persons approached by the talkative man to sell the road engine.
- 2. How did Rakesh serve his father during his illness?
- 3. How does the writer describe the condition of the books in the library in the short story "Squirrel"?
- 4. Why does Jimmy turn to leave immediately after freeing Agatha?
- 5. Why did the Conjuror get annoyed?
- 6. Who is the dying man mentioned in "The Great Cremation Ground"? Describe him.
- 7. How did Esed show his gratitude towards Mulla Nasrudeen?
- 8. What does the prince think of the doctors in general in "The King and the Doctors"?
- 9. How does George spend his years in the story "The Ant and the Grasshopper"?
- 10. Why does Schatz think that he is going to die in "A Day's Wait"?
- 11. Why did Aksionov's wife consider his venturing to the fair inauspicious?
- 12. Why does Ben Price decide to let Jimmy go free?

II. Answer any FOUR of the following in 200 words each: (4x10=40)

- 13. Why does God call the swallow and the prince the two most precious things in the city?
- 14. How are the characters of George and Tom Ramsay contrasted with each other?
- 15. How did the conjuror take revenge on the Quick Man?
- 16. Explain the circumstances that led to the arrest of Aksionov
- 17. What are the consequences awaiting the talkative man after his release from the lock- up?

18. Attempt the character sketch of Mulla Nasrudeen.

III. Answer any TWO of the following in 400 words each:

- 19.Do you consider Rakesh as a truly devoted son? Explain.
- 20. Bring out the humour in the story' the Engine Trouble'.
- 21. Forgiveness is the best form of revenge." Elucidate your point of view with reference to "God Sees the Truth, But Waits".
- 22.What lessons of love and compassion does the swallow learn from the Happy Prince? Discuss with example from the story.

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(10 X 3= 30)

Max.: 100 Marks

(2x15=30)